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TO : DIRECTOR
FROM : FRANKFURT
ACTION: EE 6
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TO DIR INFO FRAN BONN BRLN MUNI CITE FROB 0883
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EGF-3126 DA 20 MAY SUBJECT: GERMAN INDUSTRY SUPPORT OF FDP DOI MID MAY

APPRAISAL (2)

SOURCE: WELL-PLACED BONN POLITICAL FIGURE (B) FROM LEADING OFFICIAL BDI (F)

1. ABOUT MID MAY STATE SECRETARY HANS GLOBKE CONFERRED WITH LEADING OFFICIAL FEDERATION GERMAN INDUSTRY (BUNDESVERBAND DEUTSCHEN INDUSTRIE) BDI) ON ITS HEAVY FINANCIAL OUTLAY IN SUPPORT FDP IN NORTH RHINE WESTPHALIA. OFFICIAL LISTENED SYMPATHETICALLY BUT SAID MATTER ENTIRELY IN HANDS GUSTAV STEIN OF BDI BUSINESS MANAGEMENT WHO ISSUES FUNDS BOTH FDP AND CDU.

2. BDI MEMBERS FEEL IN COMMON PRUDENCE THEY MUST SUPPORT FDP IN NRW FINANCIALLY AS LONG AS IT REMAINS MEMBER LAND COALITION AND CONTROLS FINANCE MINISTRY THERE. THIS APPLIES BOTH NOW AND AFTER 6 JULY ELECTIONS, IF FDP REMAINS MEMBER COALITION. DISSEM NONE SUPDATA: FROM GLOBKE WHO TALKED WITH FRITZ BERG, BDI PRESIDENT. BONN MAY PASS AMBASSADOR ONLY.

21/1630Z.

END OF MESSAGE

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